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The Appendix of cases overruled, doubted, denied, commented on, and qualified, we have not yet had time to examine with any degree of care ; but we cannot doubt, from the admirable manner in which the former portion of this work is executed, that the remaining part is equally commendable.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE REPORTS, VOL. 27: Comprising Cases Adjudged in the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. By JOSEPH CASEY, State Reporter. Volume III. Containing Cases decided in part of January and May terms, 1856 ; and in October term, 1856. Philadelphia: Kay & Brother, Law Booksellers, Publishers and Importers, 19 south Sixth street, east side. 1857. pp. 576.

Mr. Casey now gives us his third volume, which has much the same merit as the second one, and is certainly superior to the first. The Pennsylvania decisions have not in late years been remarkable for the manner in which they have been sent into the world by the official reporters to take their place in the lists of American jurisprudence. It is, therefore, with some satisfaction that we find a new reporter, perfectly competent, certainly, really endeavoring to make a series of creditable reports of one of the very first judicial tribunals in the country. The task of State Reporter is no sinecure, and no one is competent to pass judgment upon his editorial brother until he has himself attempted to report ; and when he sees the crude material, in the shape of hastily prepared paper books, and brief arguments hinted at and suggested, rather than stated, out of which he is expected to fashion a clear statement of facts, a methodical arrangement of arguments, and a well corrected opinion, he will not be disposed to find fault if sometimes a reporter fails in making his cases intelligible and exact.

A reporter cannot, with any amount of diligence, repair the mischances that occur to a case from the negligence or haste of counsel, the over-burdened judge taking for granted much that is plain to him and the counsel concerned, but not so obvious to a stranger to the case ; and he cannot be expected to master every thing that he is obliged to print. But Mr. Casey requires less allowance than usual, his labors being remarkably well executed.